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12th January 2026

Dear Families,

This letter includes the key dates and important information you need for your child for the upcoming spring term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Robins, Wrens and Sparrows Unit Planner

Date	Activity/Event	What do I need?
15th January 2026	Chester Zoo trip	Arrive at school at the usual time, wearing uniform - please wear warm clothes, a coat and sensible shoes. Children will be provided with a packed lunch from school.
21st January	No afterschool club	Please pick your child up at 3.15pm due to staff training.
29th January 2026	School Nurse Drop In (8.00-9.15am)	Parents are welcome to come and speak to the school nurse about any issues – e.g. sleep, health etc.
12th February 2026	Valentines Day Non Uniform	Children can come to school wearing their own clothes/party clothes for the day.
12th February 2026	Family and Friends of Crossgates (PTA Event) Reception and Year 1 Valentine's Day Disco (3:30-4:30pm)	Ticketed event- separate letter will be sent out to families from our PTA.
13th February 2026	Finish for half term	
23rd February 2026	Back from half term	
23rd February 2026	Forest School sessions for Group 2 will begin on Monday afternoons. Group 1 will now have their outdoor P.E. lesson on Mondays rather than Wednesdays.	All Sparrows children to come to school in P.E kit. Forest School children will need their named kit in a named bag.



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5th March 2026	World Book Day	Children can come dressed as whatever character or adjective they like. E.g. football kit = sporty Harry Potter = magical
5th March 2026	School Nurse Drop In (8.00- 9.15am)	Parents are welcome to come and speak to the school nurse about any issues – e.g., sleep, health etc.
16th March 2026	Eid Celebration afternoon	Children to wear party clothes all day.
17th March 2026	Wrens Learning Celebration (2.15 - 3.00pm)	One family member is invited into school to share a learning activity with their child.
17th March 2026	Pupil Progress Meeting for Parents	More information to be sent regarding booking appointments.
18th March 2026	Robins Learning Celebration (2.15 - 3:00pm)	One family member is invited into school to share a learning activity with their child.
18th March 2026	Pupil Progress Meeting for Parents	More information to be sent regarding booking appointments.
19th March 2026	Sparrows Learning Celebration (2.15 - 3:00pm)	One family member is invited into school to share a learning activity with their child.
2nd April 2026	School Council Competition - Easter bonnet or decorated egg	More information to follow from the school council; children to bring their entries in on this day if they would like to participate.
2nd April 2026	Finish for Easter	

A gentle reminder to please ensure children come to school in the correct uniform each day, with long hair tied up and no jewellery worn, other than small stud earrings. We also ask that children do not wear acrylic nails, as these can pose a safety risk during the school day.

When sending snacks, please remember that we encourage healthy options and aim to be a nut and banana-free school due to severe allergies within our community.

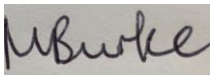


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Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping us keep all children safe, comfortable and ready to learn.

Thankyou,



Miss Burke
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